

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC 371**  
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To complete the filing requirements for acceptance of the above-referenced application under 35 U.S.C. 371, enclosed please find an executed combined Declaration and Power of Attorney. A copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed May 25, 2006 is also enclosed.

No fee(s) are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this Response. However, the Director is hereby authorized to charge such fee(s) or credit any overpayment in connection with this Response to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

Respectfully submitted,

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- Copy of the International Application filed on 10/11/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 10/11/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 10/11/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 10/11/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 10/11/2005
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 10/11/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 10/11/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 10/11/2005
- Specification filed on 10/11/2005
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- Abstracts filed on 10/11/2005
- Drawings filed on 10/11/2005

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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